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**8th ANNUAL SOUTH SIDE NATIONAL NIGHT OUT TO HONOR
MILWAUKEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTY SERGIO ALEMAN**
Organizers Dedicate Event to Deputy Killed in Car Crash While on Duty

Milwaukee, WI – Supervisor Peggy Romo West, Chair of the 8th Annual South Side National Night Out Committee, is announcing the dedication of the Tuesday, August 7, 2012 event to the memory of Milwaukee County Sheriff's Deputy Sergio Aleman. Aleman died on Tuesday, July 31, 2012, after being involved in a car crash while on duty.

“Deputy Aleman is deeply loved and will be sorely missed by fellow law enforcement officers, family, friends and community,” said Supervisor Romo West. “There is no more fitting tribute to the life and service of Deputy Aleman than holding this event in his memory this year.”

Sheriff David A. Clarke, Jr. co-sponsored the South Side National Night Out for six of its seven years in the hopes of building community, increasing positive relations with law enforcement and honoring law enforcement officers, firefighters and EMS professionals for the work they do year round.

At the South Side National Night Out, organizers turn law enforcement officers into celebrities by having them autograph kids' event t-shirts, which are paid for by sponsors.

“Sometimes, the t-shirt signing is the only positive interaction these young people have with our law enforcement, and it really makes a lasting impact on them and the officers,” noted Supervisor Romo West.

National Night Out is a community event designed to heighten crime prevention awareness, to strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships and to send a message to criminals, letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. The event is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW).

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